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MEMORANDUM

AUG 13 2002

TO: The Commission

FROM: Lawrence H. Norton
General Counsel

BY: Gregory R. Baker *(Signature)*
Acting Associate General Counsel

SUBJECT: MURs 5017 and 5205
Informational Memorandum-Waiver to Release Investigative File

General Counsel's Report #7 for MURs 5017 and 5205 was circulated to the Commission on Friday, August 9, 2002. In that Report, this Office noted that one of the Respondents in that matter, Southwest Publishers, submitted materials to be placed on the public record. This Office recommended that the submissions be placed on the public record if Southwest Publishers consented to releasing the entire investigative file as it pertains to them. In the Report, we indicated that a waiver form was provided to Southwest Publishers, which it had yet to return. This Office received the attached waiver form on August 12, 2002. Attachment 1.

Staff Assigned: Susan L. Kay

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In the Matter of


Southwest Publishers

Post-it Fax Note 7671		Date	# of Pages
To: Susan Kaul	From: B. H. Jacobs		
Co. Sup:	Co: Southwest Ridge Pk		
Phone #	Phone # 601-833-6501		
Fax # (202) 219-1043	Fax #		

MURs 5017 and 5205

WAIVER TO RELEASE ENTIRE FILE

Respondent Southwest Publishers consents to release the entire investigative file in MURs 5017 and 5205 as it pertains to Southwest Publishers.


 William Jacobs
 For the Respondent

8/12/02
 Date

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July 2, 2001

Susan Kay
Federal Election Commission
Washington, DC 20463

RE: MURs 5205 and 5017

Dear Ms Kay:

In regards to our telephone conversation this afternoon concerning the above reference item, we have reviewed our files and found that while we did issue a check to the Ronnie Shows campaign in 1998, that check was not a donation but a refund for an overpayment for advertising space purchased on November 2, 1998.

Attached is a printout of the Shows' campaign advertising account with our newspaper showing the debit for the advertisement titled "Working for the" as well as the adjustment entry on 11/27/98 to correct the overpayment. You will note that a payment on the account was made on 11/03/98 for the ad that ran on 11/02/98. The refund was made on 12/02/98 on our check number 50426. It is my guess that the Shows' campaign incorrectly posted the refund as a donation.

At this point we have not found evidence of a refund check from the Shows' campaign being received by our office.

As it is against our company policy to donate funds to political campaigns, I respectfully request that after review of this material by your office, that a correction in the record be made, our name removed from the public record, our name cleared in the matter and a letter clarifying the June 29, 2001 letter from Danny L. McDonald. I also request that a copy of the file be sent to us for our own review.

If you have any further questions, please call me at (601) 833-6961.

Sincerely,



William O. Jacobs
President / Publisher

Enc:

- Print out of Shows Campaign Advertising Account
- Check Register

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Southwest Publishers, Inc.
Computer & Manual Check Register
History File, 12/01/98 to 01/30/99
All Accounts, Sessions 000000 to 002425

Active Sessions (Not Included In Report)
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AS1 / Shirley Morgan	50417	12/01/98	1	12019805	000153	CAR CK	335.70
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